

NEHEMIAH

GOSPEL WORK

Nehemiah 3
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Reading Nehemiah 3.

Groups: The names are difficult to pronounce out loud. Allow sufficient time to silently read the chapter.

What are your first observations about this list of names? Who is included? What details are given?

Read Psalm 118:19-24. Why is rebuilding the walls and gates of Jerusalem significant beyond physical protection for the people? How is Jerusalem important to the mission of God in the Old Testament, even though it is merely a city?

Read John 5:2-9. Nehemiah's record started and ended with the Sheep Gate. Where is it and what is it near? What parallels can you draw between the people rebuilding the gates of Jerusalem and Jesus healing this man?

What is the significance of the word repaired? Read 1 Peter 2:4-6. How are Christians being built up by Jesus in the same way that the workers repaired the Jerusalem wall? While we each bring individual skills or have varying areas of responsibility, we all contribute to the same work. How can you be a part of God building up our local church and ministering to those around us?

Are you dedicated to and enthusiastic about the mission of God and the church? Do you have a passion for people knowing Jesus and growing as his disciples? If your devotion to that mission is lacking, why do you think that is? What will fuel a greater desire for ministry in you?